

SANTIAGO BOMBARDED

Three Principal Forts Attacked

BY FOURTEEN SHIPS

Story of Schley's Attack Discredited.

DID NOT ENTER THE HARBOR

The Latest Dispatches State That the Attack on the Forts Was Made by Sampson's Fleet—General Garcia Reported to be at the Head of a Well Equipped Patriot Army in Cuba—Heavy Appropriations for Defenses of San Francisco and Manila.

Copyrighted, 1898, by Associated Press. PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, May 31.—About 2 o'clock this afternoon an American squadron, composed of fourteen warships, of which the cruiser New York displayed the flag of Rear Admiral Sampson, and a number of torpedo boats, began a bombardment with heavy guns of the forts and the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. The American fire was directed principally against the forts and the harbor.

The forts of Morro Castle, La Zozona and Punta Gorda suffered especially. The bombardment was very persistent and cannot have failed to be destructive. It lasted until 5:45 p. m.

The town, which is situated near the inner end of the harbor, escaped damage.

At 5:45 p. m. the bombardment diminished. About 3 o'clock cannon discharges were heard at a distance (presumably at sea) continuing for some time, when the firing ceased completely. The Spanish authorities maintain strict silence as to the number of victims who were apparently numerous.

CAPE HAITIEN, May 31.—At 11:15 p. m., according to a Spanish source, fourteen American warships and two torpedo boats were engaged in the combat at Santiago.

A very careful fire was directed against the batteries of Morro Castle until 3:45 p. m., when discharges of cannoning began to be heard at sea at the port. These discharges continued until 4 o'clock, then entirely ceased. From the Spanish account it is impossible to judge as to the exact merits of the encounter.

A FALSE REPORT.

Schley Did Not Force the Passage at Santiago.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The naval officials absolutely discredited the news from Cape Haytien to the effect that Commodore Schley forced the entrance to Santiago bay and engaged the Spanish fleet in the harbor.

While no official advices have been received from Schley since the battle is reported to have occurred, naval officials declare with positiveness that it is not only improbable, but under the circumstances almost impossible that an attempt has been made by the American commander to force an entrance to the bay.

The latest official advices received from Commodore Schley were contained in a cablegram which came late this afternoon and in that the Commodore gives no intimation of his intention to try to enter the harbor of Santiago. While the contents of the dispatch were not made public, the bulletin issued on it by the navy department indicates that Commodore Schley is still endeavoring to determine just what Spanish vessels are in the harbor. Bulletin follows: "Commodore Schley's fleet has sighted another vessel of the Vizcaya class in Santiago harbor."

The naval officials declare that Schley would not endeavor to force his way into the harbor in view of the great difficulties of navigation which would have to be surmounted in the effort. The entrance to the harbor is a channel nearly three-quarters of a mile long and at one point only about a hundred yards wide. While the channel has plenty of water to float the ships, it is tortuous and in places dangerous.

At one point it twists sharply to the left as a vessel enters and naval officials say that it might become necessary at some stages of the tide for a warship to come almost to a full stop as she made the turn. Shore batteries line both sides of the channel and a vessel running it would afford a target which even a Spanish gunner could not fail to hit.

RECRUITS WANTED.

Regiments for the Front Must be Full Strength.

CHICKAMAUGA NATIONAL PARK, Ga., May 31.—Much to the disappointment of a number of volunteer regiments here who think they are ready to go to the front, no orders were given for the movement of any commands additional to those mentioned yesterday. The southern and western and Atlantic railroads were instructed today to move four regiments, two each tomorrow morning. In accordance with this order the following regiments have been designated to move tomorrow: First District of Columbia, One Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Indiana, Second New York, and the First Ohio Infantry.

The Fifth Maryland, Sixty-ninth New York, Third Pennsylvania and the First Illinois will leave Thursday morning. Orders have been issued and are expected tomorrow from Washington that all regiments of volunteers must be recruited to the full strength of 1,307 officers and men, and recruiting officers are to be detailed at once to secure their recruits. These recruits will absorb nearly 40,000 of the President's second call for volunteers.

NEWS OF GARCIA.

The Cuban General is Well Equipped for War.

KEY WEST, May 31.—Couriers from Cuba today brought very encouraging reports from General Calixto Garcia's army. Garcia alone, it is said, has 10,000 men better equipped than ever before, excepting the matter of clothing, and they are in excellent spirits. Five thousand men, it is added, occupy territory along the northern coast near Manatee. The Spanish troops have withdrawn to Santiago, Holguin and Manzanillo and General Garcia has established headquarters at Bayamo. General Menocal has been obliged to abandon his contemplated attack on Holguin, province of Santiago de Cuba, General Lugo, of the Spanish army, having thrown 30,000 men into the city and strongly fortified the neighboring hills.

The Cuban military leaders have been discussing the summer campaign. They believe five of six thousand men can well be spared from Santiago province, where the Spaniards are entirely on the defensive, and sent to the western part of the island.

At the Cuban landing place people crowded about trying to exchange fruit for clothes and shoes.

When the Florida arrived at Key West she had a large Cuban flag hanging over the railing of her upper deck and a yellow flag flying.

The health officer stayed the landing of Captain Drost and General Castillo and others for several hours. The expedition landed a large quantity of bacon and other army rations.

FRENCH NEUTRALITY.

The Country Not Bound by Ideas of Individuals.

PARIS, May 31.—The Journal des Debats today, commenting upon the commercial convention between France and the United States, says: "The war is undoubtedly causing much injury to our exporters, and our trade with the United States, if not entirely stopped, would certainly be materially diminished. The convention gives us advantages, mainly for the future, which we hope are near at hand, but at the same time it has special importance, inasmuch as it proves Washington to be aware that whatever may be the individual sympathy of any Frenchman, France as a country is resolved to maintain strict neutrality."

SIGNIFICANT ITEMS.

Appropriations for Defense at San Francisco and Manila.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The Secretary of War sent to the house today a recommendation for funds for harbor defense and other work in carrying on the war aggregating many millions of dollars. Among other items was a significant brief one recommending an appropriation of \$150,000 for torpedo defense of Manila harbor, Philippine islands, to be available until expended. Other estimates submitted were for a pneumatic dynamite battery at San Francisco harbor, \$150,000.

THE MONTEREY

Will Go to Manila in a Few Days.

MANE ISLAND NAVY YARD, May 31.—The cutter Monterey is being rapidly outfitted to act as convoy to the coast defense vessel Monterey. She will be laden with all the available stores in the navy yard and a further supply will be obtained in San Francisco.

She will carry fifteen officers and fifty men, and with the Monterey is expected to get under way for Manila by Friday or Saturday.

TULARE DEMOCRATS.

The County Convention Makes Nominations and Adjourns.

VISALIA, May 31.—The Democratic county convention met today. The resolutions adopted endorse Judge Maguire for governor and K. C. Barnhart of Visalia for associate justice of the supreme court. The following nominations were made up to the hour of adjournment: Superior Judge, W. B. Wallace; Sheriff, Ben. B. Parker; County Clerk, A. B. Murray, Jr.; District Attorney, P. L. Alford; Assessor, M. H. Lovelace; Recorder, J. W. Martin.

Open to Bakersfield.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—Regular train service on the San Joaquin Valley road as far south as Bakersfield has begun.

John Moss, traffic manager, has issued a schedule of temporary classified freight rates between San Francisco and points south of Hanford, to take effect tomorrow and subject to western classification.

G. A. Francis, a well-known Wheatville farmer, was in town yesterday on a business trip.

NEARING TULARE.

The Valley Road Graders Have Nearly Completed Their Work.

A Tulare dispatch to the San Francisco Call says:

"The graders on the Visalia and Tulare branch of the Valley road have completed the grade from the main line at Jacob's Well to the eastern edge of this city. The grade through Tulare is completed with the exception of a fifty foot fill where it crosses the tracks of the Southern Pacific. The grading for the depot site and for all the side tracks and corner tracks are now finished.

The grading outfit will now move to a line east of the town, and the work of completing the grade from Tulare to Visalia will be rushed from now on. This grade is not a heavy one, and will not consume quite as much time as was expended on the work west of Tulare. Less than ten miles of grading remains to be done, and then the work of laying the rails will be commenced. A part of the Great Brothers' outfit consisting of four cars of horses and mules and two cars of grading utensils has been shipped from Tulare to Chihuahua, Mexico, where the Grants have a large contract to complete. A considerable force will remain here to complete the road to Visalia.

Before many weeks Valley road trains will enter Tulare, and the people will give them a warm greeting.

Lost in the Machine.

The Woodmen of the World made a very creditable display in the Decoration Day procession, but the order was not mentioned in the report published. The Woodmen were mentioned by the reporter in writing up the parade, but the typesetting machines did not get the line up. This was not noticed in the proof and so the order was not given proper credit for its display of patriotism.

ALL SETTLED NOW

The Plan of Campaign is Decided On.

Everything Will be Left to the Army and Navy Commanders.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Lying in the very midst of the insurgent section of the island, Santiago de Cuba would afford a splendid base for the distribution of supplies to the families of the insurgents and to the reconcentrados who still eke out a miserable existence in the interior. Already the President has begun to prepare to help these people and the commissary general of the army has prepared an estimate of \$2,000,000 for the purchase of sufficient supplies to feed 150,000 reconcentrados for three months.

For the time being it is felt that the real field of action is removed from Washington and is centered with the troops now advancing under orders from here, and with our ships.

The time of preparation has gone by and it remains only for preparations to be carried into actual effect. A leading naval official pointed to his desk, which was clear of papers and documents, and remarked that all the preparatory details were now well along, and that so far as the authorities here were concerned they had only to wait for the execution of the preparations heretofore mentioned. There will continue to be much routine detail in the maintenance of the large military and naval force; but this is now in well established channels. The more vital feature of the campaign itself has been fully matured.

To a certain extent the military and naval operations will be directed from Washington and yet with General Miles in the south and Admiral Sampson and Commodore Schley in Cuban waters, they will have most to do with the time and circumstances of attack. The commanders, military and naval, have been given latitude, as the authorities here fully appreciate that battles cannot be fought in advance on paper. All that has been attempted is to outline a campaign, made in the future, for adequate forces, ample supplies and the fullest co-operation between the navy and army in the successful execution of the plans. The real blows are for the commanders to strike and in the execution of this part of the program the authorities here can take little part. It is for this reason that they regard themselves now rather as spectators of what is about to occur.

The consular reports issued today contain some additional declarations of neutrality, this time from Brazil, Japan, British Guiana, St. Lucia and Gibraltar. It is noticeable that both Brazil and Japan go out of the way of the usual preamble to express regret at the outbreak of hostilities between the United States and Spain. Bernadine modifies her original proclamation of neutrality, and the proclamation of Bolivia to supply the provisions, subsistence and coal to belligerent ships, conform closely to the very severe English rule on that subject. The Japanese declaration is rather remarkable from the great exactness with which it prescribes the rules that are to govern Japanese subjects on their dealings with the belligerents and as to the treatment which will be accorded to belligerent ships. The proclamation, evidently was prepared with great care and may serve as a model for the guidance of diplomats of all nations.

The Board of Naval Bureau is trying to hasten the work of construction of the battleships authorized by the present naval appropriation bill. The Illinois type, upon which the new vessels are to be constructed, will occupy three years in construction. After a conference today the bureau conference, presumably with the knowledge of the constructive ability of the American shipyards capable of undertaking this work, resolved to reduce the time allowed for building the new ships to a maximum of fifty-two months.

REPUBLICAN STATE LEAGUE

Biennial Convention Opened.

An Enthusiastic Gathering in San Francisco.

Colonel Stone Will be the Next President—List of the District Delegates.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—The first biennial convention of the Republican State League commenced at Golden Gate hall on Sutter street this afternoon.

Among the visitors are quite a number of candidates, and their friends were not by any means idle this morning. R. J. Waters of Los Angeles, a candidate for congress in the sixth district, it is generally believed, will receive the nomination over ex-congressman James McLachlan and Congressman Barlow.

Captain M. J. Daniels, banker of Riverside, and A. J. Pillsbury, of Tulare, are the Republican candidates for the congressional nomination in the seventh district.

State Senator R. N. Bulla, of Los Angeles, who is one of the southern candidates for the United States senate, is also here.

Colonel George Stone of this city, at present treasurer of the league, will be its next president, there being no opposition to him.

Gen. W. H. L. Barnes delivered the address of welcome to the visiting delegates, and Arthur W. Kinner, president of the Republican State League, responded. He spoke at length on the purpose and plans of the organization and was well received.

A mass meeting under the auspices of the league was held tonight in Golden Gate hall. It was in the nature of a party reunion and short addresses were made by a number of representative Republicans from various parts of the state. Among the speakers were Messrs. Purdee and Davis of Oakland; Bulla of Los Angeles; Edly of San Francisco; Morehouse of Santa Clara; and Robertson of Sonora.

After the adjournment of the convention, the various congressional district delegations met and after electing officers closed the following delegates to the national convention of the league.

First district—H. A. Scott, Santa Rosa; G. W. Strohl, Napa; Douglas S. Cline, Red Bluff; George W. Surdevant, Ukiah.

A. W. Kourney recommended for delegate-at-large.

Second district—Postponed.

Third district—B. Edward Collins, Oakland; W. R. Pond, Colusa; Fred E. Smith, Alameda; Bud W. Church, Alameda. At large from the district, Charles H. Spear.

Fourth district—Thomas D. Kordian, Charles H. Clear, Thomas H. O'Brien, John S. Purry. County Clerk Curry was unanimously endorsed for delegate-at-large.

Fifth district—M. A. Southworth, San Jose; E. J. Butler, Palo Alto, J. C. Campbell, San Francisco; T. C. Maher, San Francisco. Delegate-at-large, C. F. Curry.

Sixth district—W. H. Barnes, Ventura; P. A. Stanton, Los Angeles; Fred McCollum, Monterey; at large, G. E. Overton, Los Angeles.

Seventh district—Frank H. Short, Fresno; E. O. Larkins, Visalia; Arthur Mann, Riverside; J. F. West, Orange; at large, P. H. Short.

If chosen, W. J. Martin will take his place among the district delegates.

Judge Swinerton of Stockton was honored for vice-president of the state league.

A CLEAN SWEEP.

Awful Deed of a Lunatic in England.

LONDON, May 31.—Frederick Hall, a grade mason living at Burslem, the principal town in the district called "The Potteries," in Staffordshire, this morning murdered his wife and five children with a bill hook and then committed suicide by cutting his throat. It is supposed that the man had suddenly become insane.

T. E. Doyle, a well-known citizen of Reedley, attended the Yankee concert and returned home yesterday morning on the Valley road train.

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FREE! SHETLAND PONY AND ELEGANT CART

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Commencing Wednesday, June 1st, with every purchase of \$1 or more in our I Street Store you are entitled to a chance in an elegant Cart and Shetland Pony to be drawn for on Sept. 30th.

SPECIAL SALE IN OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT

Oxford Ties for This Week Only.

Ladies' fine chocolate colored Vici Kid Oxford Ties, with coin toes and silk vesting tops, our regular \$2.50 shoe, for this sale

\$1 97 A PAIR.

Ladies' extra fine Vici Kid Tan Oxford Ties, with opera or stitched heels, new coin toes, fancy silk vesting tops, white kid lined, regular price of this shoe is \$3, for this sale

\$2 19 A PAIR.

Ladies' Black Vici Kid Oxford Ties, with cloth or kid tops, coin toes, kid or patent leather tipped, regular price \$2.50, for this sale

\$1 97 A PAIR.

Ladies' fine hand turned black Vici Kid Oxford Ties, kid tips and coin toes, regular prices \$3 and \$3.50, for this sale

\$2 29 A PAIR.

SPECIAL SALE IN OUR WASH DRESS GOODS DEPT.

On Friday, June 3d.

2500 Yards of elegant Imported Organdies, Lappets and fine Lawn Wash Dress Goods in this season's choicest and most exquisite designs and colorings, the regular prices were 35c and 40c, for this day only. 19c

We are headquarters for all patriotic goods—Flags, Bunting, Shields, etc.—at lowest prices.

Kutner-Goldstein will close all day Monday.

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NASHVILLE

GETS FIRST

PRIZE.

The U. S. gunboat Nashville sent the first shot across Cuban waters and brought down a Spanish steamer without spilling a drop of blood. Just so with the B. T. Scott Cash Stores in Fresno; it is winning victories every day. Most of the Spanish-speaking people of this vicinity, we believe, trade at Scott's stores, and we believe them to be patriotic and loyal citizens of the United States and ready to defend Old Glory.

The grocery business was never so good with Scott as now. The quality of his goods and his low prices are drawing the people from far and near.

THE SKELETON IN THE CLOSET

That may surprise you at any time may be death! Don't allow an impoverished state of the blood, or an unhealthy condition of the general system, which predisposes to all kinds of endemic or epidemic diseases, be neglected. Put them in the proper condition to resist diseases by some of our health-giving tonics. Brace up on our Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites or our Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla and iodides.

Geo. H. Monroe, Druggist, 1926-28 Mariposa Street.

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The little evening paper ought to reduce its price to five cents a week.

The Examiner doesn't have to secure the services of Cliff Hogan. It can give Cliff pointers.

Admiral Cervera should see to it that his men have their cup of coffee and cigarette very early every morning.

The Dons may be expected to arrive at the conclusion that the Yankee down at Santiago is devilish Schley.

It is pretty certain that the Yankee guns have been doing business in the vicinity of Cervera's fleet, but with what result it will take a little more time to tell.

The time that Commodore Schley is shifting off Santiago is destined to become very popular. It is entitled: "I have got them and they will never get home."

It is reported that Mr. Sutter's mental condition is improving and that he may recover entirely. We hope so, for in that case he will undoubtedly carry out his philanthropic plans from which San Francisco expected to derive so much benefit.

Chesler L. Rowell, formerly teacher of German in the Fresno High School and for the past year a teacher in the University of Illinois, arrived in Fresno yesterday morning. He will become the editor of the Republican when the present editor assumes the duties of Postmaster.

The Democracy of Fresno county may need instruction as to what kind of ticket it shall nominate, but we misjudge the spirit of that party if it submits to the dictation of disreputable bulldozers and adventurers who arrogate to themselves the right to issue instructions to the rank and file.

ANOTHER GERMAN COMPLAINT

The German producers and manufacturers have no end of grievances against the Americans. They have always had it in for our pork, have never had too high an opinion of American beef, said our dried apples were poisonous and declared our green fruit to be vermin-infested. Now it is the American bicycle that is irritating the minds of some of the good people of the Fatherland—a case of wheels, so to speak. German wheelmen appear to prefer American bicycles, whereas the German manufacturer has waxed wroth and demanded that the duty on the imported article be increased. According to Consul-General Mason, of Frankfurt, the government will accede to the demand, and it is the purpose to increase the tax from \$1 to \$4.50 on each wheel, the new duty to go into effect next January.

In a recent report of Consul-General Mason is described the following incident, which shows how keenly the German manufacturers resent American competition in this line. A dealer at Winsen, in Hanover, who is a member of the Association of German Bicycle Dealers, had purchased a number of American bicycles, which he advertised for sale at 150 marks (\$25.70) each. Thereupon the association called the dealer to account in the following manner:

We must absolutely protest against your offering American machines at 115 and 150 marks (\$23.77 and \$25.70), the trade in German bicycles being severely damaged by this action. You do not dare to say that an American wheel sold at such prices can be compared with a reliable German make. Therefore, if you do not cease advertising in this way, we shall proceed against you in a proper manner: first through the trade papers. We leave it to you to consider whether a first-class American wheel can be sold for 150 marks, and whether this is not sufficient ground for bringing you before the courts for violation of the unfair competition law.

To this threat Mr. Wiese, the dealer at Winsen referred to, answered that nearly all the bicycle dealers whom the association represented had American wheels besides the German makes, and asked how they could, in view of that, abuse the American machines. He named dealers who handled American makes and asserted that the latter surpassed the German-made wheel in every respect. He concluded as follows:

However, in case you are representing the interests of the German factories—well, I must suppose—I beg to inform you that no German factory is up to the mark, and that next year the Cleveland firm will probably establish a factory in Germany, with a yearly output that will knock down, if the wish, the trade price to 100 marks (\$25.00) and the selling price to 120 marks (\$20.00).

This correspondence was published in an organ of the German bicycle trade, says Mr. Mason, and has caused consternation in the ranks of the manufacturers, who now see that their demand for a prohibitory duty on American wheels, if granted, will only have the effect of transferring to German territory branch factories of the great American manufacturers, who, by importing from the United States their parts and materials and putting them together with the cheap labor of Ger-

man workmen, under superintendence of American expert foremen, will render the competition more fully aggressive than ever before. Of course the German wheelmen are not losing any sleep over the troubles of their manufacturers. On the contrary, Mr. Mason says they are on the side of the American makers, whose products have not only cheapened, but greatly improved, the standard of excellence in bicycle construction.

The situation is unpleasant for the German manufacturers of this and other articles, for where they are not hurt by American competition, they are injured by the American tariff. However, it can be ameliorated by the government entering into a reciprocity agreement with the United States, as France has just done.

UNITED WE STAND.

The spirit of Memorial Day was a comingling of tributes to the brave soldiers who have gone to their eternal rest and of demonstrations of love for our common country by the people of all sections. The men of the North and the South tallied their tears over the graves of fallen comrades and together renewed their pledges of faith in the perpetuity of the republic. In this connection the country of General Wade Hampton the old Confederate with a brilliant fighting record, is calculated to warm the hearts of the Sons of the North to their brothers of the South. At a meeting of the Confederate veterans a few days ago the exalted old warrior talked in this way:

"My old comrades, we all know what war is. I do not hesitate to say that I regret the one upon which we are now entering. But you are South Carolinians; you are sons of the men who have shed immortal glory on the Palmetto flag in the past, and I would rather die than think that South Carolina would not respond to the call made upon her for volunteers until the quota is full. And old as I am, I can still ride on horseback and wield a sword, and if that quota isn't filled, if there is one name lacking to make it full, I will volunteer."

I want to see the Palmetto state represented near the flagging of the guns. I am sorry to see our young men go. Personally I wouldn't give one good Carolinian for the island of Cuba. But the bar of Stars and Stripes is our flag now. The tri-colored flag of the Southern Confederacy that waved over so many bloody and victorious fields is faded forever. We have no other flag and no other country now. This is our country and it is our duty to make it the champion of freedom for all time to come."

Here's to Wade Hampton, the loyal old "rebel." May he live to see the flag of his country wave over every Spanish possession in the western hemisphere.

The Tribune Register in the following points out another instance in which American foresight has been found entirely lacking:

What a mistake this country made that it did not follow General Grant's advice of thirty years ago and annex Santo Domingo when, as Hawaii is now, it was asking to be taken into the Union? Had we now a naval station and base of supplies on that fertile island, resistance on the part of Spain would be no altogether hopeless that no navy would be sent against us, but because of the narrowness and timidity of a conservative and altogether insular national policy we let the prize slip from our grasp and war vessels now have to sail a thousand miles to Key West in order to receive supplies and coal and food. And here we are wondering over the annexation of Hawaii in the same unbecome way.

It seems quite evident that we made a mistake in not accepting Santo Domingo, but it was only a slight one compared to the folly of our failure to build the Nicaragua canal within a short period after the conclusion of the Civil war. That canal should have been completed and opened to commerce at least ten years ago.

The report of a week ago that ten Spanish warships had been sunk in a naval battle was received up at Jamestown, Tidewater county, as gospel truth, and a great and patriotic demonstration was held in the mountain town in honor of the magnificent triumph. The difference in the morning, when a flat contradiction was received, many either left to imagination or judged by the remarks of the weekly Mother Lode, which came forth with a wet towel around its head and gave voice to the opinion that a yellow newspaper correspondent who will thus play upon the sacred emotions of good citizens is worse than the blackest Spaniard ever spawned by hell. The language is strong, but when the Jamestown feeling is taken into consideration it is not surprising. The Mother Lode, by the way, is a more than ordinarily able local paper under the direction of Editor Foote.

It is not necessary to tell the Republicans of Fresno county what kind of ticket they should nominate. The intelligent and honest membership of the party is capable of judging and acting for itself, and it is a reason for congratulation that so many capable and reputable citizens are coming forward and submitting their claims to the party as candidates for the various local offices. There will be no lack of good material from which to select and no lack of wisdom and honesty of purpose in making the selections.

"Let's have a new deal," says the Examiner. It doesn't like the old deal that it has been getting ever since it held up that people's enterprise—the Valley road.

The main growers are swinging this line in such numbers and with such united purpose that there can be no longer be a reasonable doubt that a successful combination will be effected. One very hopeful indication is the fact

that the larger growers are this year equally anxious as the small growers to get in upon a common basis and unite all the producing interests in the cause of maintaining living prices. There has been no such unity of purpose at any former time in the history of the raisin industry.

The Examiner refuses to tell how much it made from its latest "graft."

INVENTOR OF LEAD PIPE.

First Suggested by Robert Seydell of Pennsylvania in 1830.

There was born in Milton, Pa., in 1800 a man of wonderful genius. It is said. His name was Robert Seydell, and he died in 1817. Four children survive, two of whom reside here—a son, Jacob Seydell, and a daughter, Mrs. Gray. Mr. Seydell was a cooper'smith and was almost continuously working out some device connected with the machinery in his factory. To him, it is related by some of the oldest citizens of this place, belongs the discovery of the process of making lead pipe, and, like many other inventors, the idea of making the same was stolen from him and further developed to its present form of manufacture.

It was in the latter part of the thirties that the idea suggested itself to him, and the following is the way he wrought it out: He first took a slug, or casting of lead, placed it on a mandrel, or rod of steel, about 10 feet long and an inch in diameter. The mandrel was highly polished, and upon this he drew or rolled out, to lead to the full length of the rod, thus giving him an inch bore, and to a one-fourth inch, making a total diameter 1 1/2 inches for the pipe. After completing several sections of the length of the mandrel he soldered them together, making the pipe of whatever length he desired.

He put it to practical use by fastening it to pump heads, and also running it from springs to connect watering troughs and springhouses in the country round about here. Being greatly pleased with his discovery and receiving the most flattering of comments from his friends and neighbors in this section, he concluded to make his invention more widely known, and hence made a visit to Philadelphia, taking his device with him.

At the Franklin Institute in that city he gave his first exhibition to quite a number of inventors, artisans and mechanics. As it is now related, every one who witnessed it was more than delighted, and so expressed himself in his immediate presence. It was not long that he was allowed to remain in a condition of supreme happiness over his invention, for a short time after he made a disclosure of his discovery, and while yet in Philadelphia, he found out that by the persons to whom he had given an exhibition of the process of making lead pipe his idea had been used and improved upon.—Philadelphia Press.

SPEAKING PASSING SHIPS.

New Efforts to Revive Old Time Curiosity at Sea.

The old custom of speaking passing ships is rapidly dying out among the shippers of today, and the general opinion seems to be that the modern master is, as a rule, too busy going to bother about anything of the sort.

Colonel Hoexter, the secretary of Lloyd's, considers that a dual of trouble and anxiety would often be avoided if captains would but take the trouble to speak ships within reading distance of their signals. In many instances anxiety with respect to overdue vessels would be allayed, and, furthermore, there would continually be news for the friends of masters and for the hundreds of thousands of others who are interested in the great merchant marine of this country.

Chattling the matter over, Captain Frank, the secretary of the Shipmasters' society, said: "The practice of speaking each other at sea and reporting at every opportunity is, I am sorry to say, dying out among the captains of the present day. I suppose they are indifferent, or careless, and do not consider it worth the trouble of heeding the signals and making out the other fellows'. It is a very great pity that an exceedingly useful custom should be neglected, and I am glad to learn that Colonel Hoexter is doing his utmost to induce masters to speak other ships and to report whenever it is possible.

"I am convinced that if captains can be persuaded to take the trouble to do this much good service will be rendered to the public generally. This society is doing its utmost to get masters to revive the practice."

Captain Frank's appeal was strengthened by the picturesque evidence of an old time skipper, who admitted that speaking and signaling had been almost entirely neglected of late years. "When I first went to sea," he said, "it was the inevitable custom to exchange names and destinations and sometimes greetings with passing ships, but nowadays captains don't bother. Some times a skipper is short handed and he won't take even one man from his work, but mostly he is too busy. I don't think about the thing at all. That's my experience, and I've been at the game a week or two."—London Mail.

THE SPLIT INFINITIVE.

G. Bernard Shaw Says the Common Affect Is All Anomalous.

In a letter to the editor of the London Chronicle G. Bernard Shaw writes: I should have thought, now that we have an academy of letters, that it might reason as from the gentleman who occasionally writes to you in English should be written. Some time ago you let loose an unhappy creature to whom some competent person had luxuriously pointed out a common blunder in the use of "and which." Not understanding the matter, he began scolding every writer in whose works he could discover "and which" of writing had English. With your permission, I have extinguished him, and he has not since been heard of. There was some excuse for that poor wretch, because there unquestionably is a wrong way of using "and which," but for the "split infinitive" past there is no excuse at all. There is nothing whatever to mislead him except his own nature. If any man were to object to a split infinitive such as "I greatly regret," or a split subjective such as "I should greatly prefer," or a split imperative such as "come slowly up," what news-

paper would waste an inch of space on his foolish ignorance? And yet this split infinitive nonsense is taken quite seriously by editors who are sufficiently good writers to repeatedly use it themselves.

The infinitive is a mood in which the position of the adverb cannot possibly produce ambiguity; consequently the order of the words is not a matter of grammar, but of style, of which the ear is the only arbiter. The ear often demands the split infinitive and will have it in spite of all the silly people who do not know what style means.

When these infinite inflections are dispensed of, you will no doubt be attacked in the course by the even more impatient impostors who, though they pronounce the word "color" so as to rhyme with "duller," and never hear it and never have heard it and never will hear it pronounced in any other way, from time to time pretend to be shocked when it is split without a "u." I trust you will always insist on these niceties, definitely stating whether they pronounce it or "honor" or "neighbor" or "favor" or "behavior" so as to rhyme with "our" or "poor," as the case may be, or whether they are merely bogged etymologists—century belated Johnsons.

In either case you will be justified in recommending them to the care of their relatives and suppressing their bad habits.

Simple Ruby Lamp.

Secure an ordinary quart size red Rhine wine bottle and by gently tapping on the bottom thereof break out enough glass to allow the insertion of a candle. A lamp can be used for this purpose, if a little care be taken. Then wrap a piece of ruby paper all around the bottle, securing same by paste or manila. The lamp is now ready for use, and by standing the bottle on a triangle of burned matches and lighting the candle, will burn without any tripping of wick and other oil lamp inconveniences. The little white light emanating from the top will do absolutely no harm.—New York Mail and Express.

Curious Typographical Errors.

Dr. Daniel of the Texas Medical Journal, referring to a recent editorial in The Statesman on typographical errors, gives an amusing experience in that line. He says he wrote, "Dr. Jno. Dalrymple died 74 years, born July 22, 1822, and died."—Imagine his disgust when it appeared in The Journal, "Dr. Dalrymple died 74 years of born July 22, 1822, and died."—Austin Statesman.

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Hollyhocks for Editor and Pressman.

[From Scripps Craig's Columnar.] Which we choose to remark that the Fresno Republican seems to be getting better work out of its linotype battery than most papers. We are inclined to give their pressman a big share of the credit. At any rate the Republican is now one of the cleanest looking daily papers on our exchange list. Editorially it is no better—it couldn't very well be.

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My little love of long ago
(How sweetly by the fire she sat,
She told me of her love and life,
Of all her hopes and all her fears,
She feared the dangers of the way,
The striving and the wearying,
That waited for across the sea,
The loneliness of missing you,
She never doubted me—oh, no,
My little love of long ago!

For she had faith in everything
(How sweetly by the fire she sat,
A heart that could not help but sing
And blossomed out amid the flowers,
My love was the best refrain,
My love was the sweetest pain,
The fondness of missing me,
The loneliness of missing you,
I feared and comforted her so,
My little love of long ago.

My little love of long ago
(How sweetly by the fire she sat,
Such little feet to stammer slow,
Along the path of life's way,
While time and distance and the sea,
Or my poor, careless heart might be,
Could not have led from me to spring,
Why we long went a wondering!
Eredest of all to know,
My little love of long ago.

—From Wheeler in New York Press.

INVISIBLE FRIEND.

The members around the clubhouse were talking of the prospects of the spring road races, and from that conversation turned to road racing in general, and every member had some experience to tell. Only the wheelman who had traveled was silent, as was his wont until stirred to tell some tale of wild adventure by the questions of his companions, who seemed not more than to half believe his stories and yet to feel that they were really true, such indisputable proofs did the traveler once always present. On this occasion it was the club's road race champion, a member who wore a string of century bars three yards long, who said earnestly, "I suppose you've been the greatest road racer of all of us, haven't you?"

"I won't say that exactly," replied the wheelman who had traveled, "but there was a time when I would have backed myself against the best man in the business. That time has passed and will never return, but if I should tell you the story you wouldn't believe it, so what's the use?"

"Come on, tell it," broke in the bugler. "Don't mind him. He thinks he's the only one the orchestra can play just because he's got a few bars."

The wheelman who had traveled put his hand in his pocket and drew out a thin leather pipe case. Without a word he opened it and passed it to the club captain, who examined it curiously, for the traveler once's manner presaged a story.

"I don't see anything about road racing in that," remarked the captain.

"What's in it?" asked the champion bar.

"Nothing apparently," responded the captain, and in fact, the case appeared to be empty.

"Read of the inside," suggested the wheelman who had traveled. The captain obeyed the suggestion and started, as though he had been struck.

"Why, there's a pipe there, but I can't see it," he exclaimed.

The other members felt of the inside of the case, and, sure enough, plain to the touch, but at the same time absolutely invisible, was a pipe. The wheelman who had traveled took the case, fitted something out of it apparently and held it up. His hand appeared to be empty.

"What is it—a fine piece of glass?" asked the member with the pink golf socks.

"Not a bit of it," answered the possessor of the wonderful pipe. "That pipe is a relic of the most faithful friend I ever had and one who owed me his life on more than one occasion. I never hear road racing spoken of without thinking of him. Give me some tobacco, some one, and I'll tell you why I prize this pipe so highly."

The other members watched him curiously as he rammed the tobacco down into the pipe, apparently, and they started away from him as though he were something uncanny as they saw the smoke rise from a distance of several inches from the smoker's mouth, but the member who had traveled settled back in his chair and began:

"It was in the winter following my disastrous experience at orchard farming in Africa that I decided a change of air would be necessary, and I consequently went to Australia, where it was then summer, of course. I had an idea that there might be some good farming in that country, and I took my wheel along as a matter of course. I landed at Melbourne and found the town very dull. I wheeled along near the coast to Sydney and found it no livelier there, so I made up my mind to strike for the interior of New South Wales. I was warned that it would be dangerous to venture far into the bush alone, but I had plenty of nerve in those days and started out feeling better than I had ever felt in my life.

"The trip was wild enough to suit the liveliest imagination, and I thoroughly enjoyed myself. I passed through the heart of the kangaroo district and often stopped to watch the amusing antics of these clever animals, which can leap 40 feet at a jump and are as strong as a horse.

"One day I was standing by my wheel watching a herd of them when all of a sudden they seemed to become alarmed at something and went off away from the horizon in great leaps until every one of them had vanished. I was wondering what had scared them when I felt a hot breath on the back of my head. I looked around with a start, but saw nothing. I heard, however, what sounded like an animal panting for breath directly in front of me, and I will confess that I was thoroughly frightened. I attempted to show no signs of fear, however, although my hair rose so that it threw my cap off, and I stood there perfectly motionless, hoping that whatever it was would go away and leave me alone. All sorts of thoughts went through my head in that instant. I remembered all the stories I had ever heard of men and animals that could make themselves invisible, and while I had never believed any of them I remembered that some scientific men had held that it was possible for organic matter to become as transparent as inorganic under certain conditions and present neither of the phenomena of refraction and reflection of light. I was convinced in a moment

that some beast possessing such qualities was confronting me, and my belief grew to certainty when I felt a hairy paw caressing my hand. Instead of being frightened at this unexpected demonstration I was reassured, for there was something in the touch that assured me that my life was in no danger, but that on the contrary the thing, whatever it was, was trying to make friends with me. I grasped the paw in my hand and was reassured by what sounded like a grunt of whose existence I had no longer the slightest doubt.

"Resolved to ascertain what kind of a thing this was, I drew it closer to me and began to feel it. The thing stood perfectly quiet, and it was not long before I recognized the fact that it was a kangaroo of enormous size, but absolutely invisible.

"Well, to cut a long story short, the kangaroo developed the strongest attachment for me and followed me wherever I went. I trained it to tow me up hills and sometimes across the level plains, its easy method of progression by great jumps carrying me along far more swiftly than I could have pedaled. If the kangaroo strayed away, all I had to do was to whistle, and it would come to me, bounding across the open with great leaps, the progress of which I could trace by the depression in the grass where it alighted, although I could not see the beast itself.

"One day we struck a gold mining camp, and I decided to stay there for a few days. On the first night of my stay, however, I got into an altercation with one of the miners, who was intoxicated, and he drew his revolver and fired at me. My faithful kangaroo, unseen, stepped between us and received the bullet himself, as I afterward learned, although it was a regret to me as well as to the bystanders that I did not fall with a bullet in my back. At the same instant the kangaroo struck out with his powerful hind leg and caught the miner full in the solar plexus, knocking him out completely. The whole affair was so sudden that none realized what had occurred, and some were inclined to believe that the roofer had had a stroke of apoplexy. I went to my hotel, and they took the miner to his slumbers.

"Along toward morning I was awakened by my host, a decent sort of escaped convict, and informed that the miner had died and that some of his friends were going to carry out the design which he had formed before his death of killing me. 'I don't dare load you a horse,' said the man, 'but you get on your wheel and ride away as fast as you can, or they'll catch you sure.'"

"I started out promptly, for I did not want to be the object of a vigilance committee's deliberations, and was soon wheeling over the plains. I had my faithful kangaroo at my side, and I realized that he coughed and appeared, from the sound, to be spitting blood. This puzzled me at first, but I quickly realized that he must have been shot in the lung, and I felt more sorrow than I can express at the thought.

"I was sitting in a pretty good pace, but it was not long before I heard the sound of hoofs far behind me, and looking back I saw four horsemen following me at full gallop. I realized that they were the dead miner's friends, and also that there was no chance of escaping them, for my wheel was in bad condition, suitably in need of oiling, and it was impossible to ride it over the rough surface of the trail as fast as the swift bush horses could gallop. There was only one thing to do. I called the kangaroo toward me and attached my stout sawhorse to his enormous tail, tying the other end to the head of my bicycle. I chirped, and the faithful beast started off with leaps and bounds that nearly unseated me, but I managed to stick on, and soon saw that I was distancing my pursuers. I was not satisfied with that, however, but resolved that I must not slacken speed until safely beyond their radius of action. I urged my invisible motive power on to greater efforts, and before sundown we were more than 200 miles away from the mining camp.

"It was just as the sun was sinking over the trees that the kangaroo stopped short, and as I rode forward, the wheel struck his prostrate body. I dismounted and knelt beside him. As I did so I felt the warm lifeblood pouring from a great wound in his side, heard a faint moan, and then the poor beast flicking his hand, gasped convulsively and died. He had given his life to save me."

The wheelman who had traveled paused, knocked the ashes from the invisible pipe, replaced it in its case and wiped away a tear.

"But what of the pipe?" asked one of the members.

"Oh, yes—the pipe. Well, I rode on toward civilization, not daring to stay in these parts much longer, and the following spring I went over the same ground again with a large party. We found at the spot where I had left the dead kangaroo the skeleton bodies of four horses and their riders. I realized at once what had happened. My pursuers had followed me, their horses had stumbled over the invisible body of the dead kangaroo, and they had all been killed. The fact that the neck of each corpse was broken proved my theory. I groped among the bones for those of my faithful friend and soon found them. I placed several of them in my traveling case, and when I returned to Buffalo I had this pipe made from two of them. The rest I insisted and have never found them. I may stumble across them some day."—Buffalo Express.

Value of Accuracy.

A man of businesslike aspect invaded a downtown shoe shop yesterday morning and said:

"I see you claim to do invisible patching. Can you put an invisible patch on this shoe?"

"Yes, sir," replied the proprietor.

"Sure? I don't want it done unless you can, because this is one of my swell shoes and I don't want it to show."

"If I don't put an invisible patch on it, I won't charge you anything for the job."

"All right. Go ahead."

The shoemaker took the shoe, and in about fifteen minutes brought it back to him neatly repaired.

"That's calculated the customer. 'I think the bargain was that if you didn't put an invisible patch on it you wouldn't charge anything, wasn't it?'"

"That's right."

"This is the patch, isn't it?"

"Yes."

"Well, it's perfectly visible. What you meant was, I presume, that you would make the evidence of it being a patch invisible, but you ought to have

said so. A bargain's a bargain. Let this be a lesson to you, Good morning."

"Hold on. I can fix that all right," said the shoemaker.

He took the shoe again, ran a sharp knife under one edge of the patch, applied a pair of sharp nippers, decoratively ripped it off, threw it behind a work bench and handed the shoe back again. "There," he said, "is your shoe, and the patch, as you'll notice, isn't visible now. Let this be a lesson to you. Good morning—Oh, by the way!"—Chicago Tribune.

A Thought-Rocketing Plant.

The chief reason why alfalfa hay will grow in the short grass country is that it has long roots. They have been known to strike 25 feet deep for moisture. The plant will not thrive, therefore, in soil that is not open and deep. An ideal place for its growth is along the river bottoms in the western part of Kansas, where, under which great masses of "sheet water," miles upon miles in extent, are found from 10 to 25 feet below the surface. The roots of alfalfa readily push down to the water and drink when they need moisture, and the result is that the plant blossoms and prospers and becomes a never failing source of revenue to the man who cultivates it. On the rolling uplands, where there is scarcely an average rainfall of 25 inches a year, the plant will live and produce hay nearly always. It makes good pasture under ordinary conditions there and is almost certain every year to produce a fine crop of seed. All the uplands are fertile enough, the only trouble about making use of that fertility being the lack of moisture. Irrigation has not yet succeeded in bringing water in abundance to the assistance of the filler of the soil in this region, and therefore only such a plant can live as has deep roots and a pertinacity that even the hot winds of Kansas cannot shake.—Franklin Matthews in Harper's Weekly.

Three Days on the Briny.

"What pain is this?" said Sergeant Scott.

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He leaned across the steamer's rail and gazed upon the sea.

"The hardtack, beans and all I ate at the Presidio. They seem to fight for liberty and cause me bitter woe."

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Premium on U. S. bonds..... 5,500.00

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Other real estate and mortgages..... 1,364.50

Unpaid..... 51,277.01

Due from National Banks (not returned)..... 4,322.96

Due from State Banks and bankers..... 44,450.90

Due from approved reserve agents..... 10,121.92

Collections..... 14,206.87

Checks and other cash items..... 1,364.50

Fractional paper currency, notes and cents..... 136.71

Lawful money reserve in bank..... 500.00

Specie.....\$6,725.65

Legal tender notes..... 18,215.65

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)..... 1,125.00

Total.....\$38,499.72

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Capital stock paid in.....\$100,000.00

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PORTO RICO.

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Reasons Why This Government is Hastening the Landing of Troops.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—President McKinley had a number of personal conferences with senators and representatives during the early part of the day. Adjutant-General Corbin of the war department had a conference with him over some army appointments and some other matters incident to the volunteer service.

The President received no information of any important developments up to the convening of the cabinet. There was in fact no news from the front that he could impart to callers.

There seems to be little doubt that the plan of campaign contemplates the reduction of Porto Rico and the President is being strongly urged to begin this movement even before any serious attempt is made upon Havana. His advisers point to what they regard as the danger of a retreat on the part of the Spanish government. It might be possible, according to their view, for the Spanish to assert that they accept in full the demands of this government's ultimatum, and are prepared to withdraw their troops from Cuba. In such case the United States would be placed in the disagreeable position before the world continuing to make war upon the country which holds out the flag of truce. The dilemma that would confront us in such case would be how to secure Porto Rico without offending against international law, for it can be safely accepted as the truth that the administration is determined that the Spanish rule in the western hemisphere must cease.

The President during the forenoon took occasion during interviews with callers to reiterate his conviction that the annexation of Hawaii should be speedily accomplished.

Eastern Baseball.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Brooklyn 2, hits 6, errors 5; Cincinnati 7, hits 8, errors 3. Batteries—R. Miller and A. Smith; Dammann and Peltz.

PHILADELPHIA, May 31.—Louisville 1, hits 6, errors 6; Philadelphia 4, hits 7, errors 5. Batteries—Cunningham and Snyder; Doolittle and Peltz.

PITTSBURGH, May 31.—Pittsburgh 9, hits 16, errors 4; Baltimore 8, hits 16, errors 4. Batteries—Hart and Murphy; Hooper and Tobin.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Washington 8, hits 12, errors 0; St. Louis 5, hits 13, errors 3. Batteries—Weighling, Denner and Farrell; Daniels, Esner and Clements.

NEW YORK, May 31.—New York 1, hits 6, errors 3; Cleveland 4, hits 8, errors 0. Batteries—Doherty and Warner; Young and Zimmer.

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T. R. Brewer was up from Selma yesterday. Fred Dodd has returned from San Francisco.

P. G. Baker, a San Jose fruit dealer, is in town.

W. A. Stout of Square Valley was in town yesterday.

E. C. Hutchinson of Modesto was in Fresno yesterday.

Lee W. Foster and Ross H.